

**Table 5**

**Morbidity and Mortality Statistics**  
(Data from State and National Reporting Systems)

Source: N.C. Health Statistics Pocket Guide – 1999, Center for Health Informatics and Statistics

	United States	North Carolina	Number of States Higher
<b>Morbidity Rates 1998<sup>1</sup></b>			
Reported Syphilis (all stages) <sup>2</sup>	14.0	28.3	5
Reported Gonorrhea (all sites) <sup>2</sup>	131.6	254.8	5
Chlamydia <sup>2</sup>	223.6	294.2	7
Verified Tuberculosis <sup>3</sup>	6.8	6.6	16
Hepatitis A	8.6	1.7	41
Hepatitis B	3.8	3.2	18
AIDS	17.2	10.4	23

		North Carolina			
		White Male	White Female	Minority Male	Minority Female
<b>Age-adjusted Mortality Rates 1999<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>Total</b>				
All Causes	919.7	1064.8	713.6	1513.1	936.5
Heart Disease	255.8	315.7	192.9	382.0	254.4
Cerebrovascular Disease	75.8	70.5	68.4	112.5	92.6
Atherosclerosis	5.8	5.2	5.1	11.1	6.6
Cancer	204.6	252.3	157.4	364.4	189.0
Diabetes Mellitus	26.8	23.4	18.0	55.5	55.9
Pneumonia/Influenza	25.7	30.4	22.4	35.6	22.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	47.1	65.1	41.1	60.8	19.2
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	9.3	12.4	5.2	18.4	7.7
Nephritis/Nephrosis	15.1	14.5	9.8	37.1	28.9
Septicemia	13.4	12.6	10.1	30.8	20.6
HIV Disease	6.0	3.1	0.7	31.4	11.4
Motor Vehicle Unintentional Injuries	19.8	28.1	11.6	33.2	13.0
All Other Unintentional Injuries	22.3	30.0	14.1	41.2	15.2
Suicide	11.4	21.4	5.2	10.2	2.0
Homicide	8.4	7.0	2.5	32.1	8.2

<sup>1</sup>Cases per 100,000 population. Cases are from the Centers for Disease Control. <sup>2</sup>Cases updated through July 19, 1999. <sup>3</sup>Cases updated through June 3, 1999. <sup>4</sup>Deaths per 100,000 population using 10-year age groups and U.S. 2000 population as standard for direct age adjustment. These rates will not be comparable to those in earlier editions of the Pocket Guide due to the use of a different standard population for age adjustment. Some of these 1999 rates will not be comparable to rates for 1998 and earlier years due to a change in the cause-of-death coding system.